

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 71

By McCormick

A RESOLUTION to recognize Grady Lane on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Grady Lane is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for thirty-seven years with Blood Assurance, of which he was the very first employee; and

WHEREAS, a native of Chattanooga, Mr. Lane graduated from the University of Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, after earning his degree, Grady Lane worked with the Cavalier Corporation, one of Chattanooga's oldest manufacturers, which manufactured vending equipment for the bottlers of Coca-Cola; and

WHEREAS, in the late 1960s, he took a management position with a construction company before applying to work in management for a new blood program set into motion by local medical and community leaders; and

WHEREAS, in 1972, Grady Lane became the first employee of Blood Assurance, of which he later became Senior Vice President of Community Relations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lane is an active and important part of his community and his profession, participating in numerous worthy organizations, including the Rotary Club of Chattanooga, which he joined in 1976 and of which he is the most recent past President;

WHEREAS, he has also contributed his time and numerous talents to leadership positions as a twenty-year member of the board of YMCA Camp Ocoee, a member of the Lookout Mountain Elementary School Board, and a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Grady Lane exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to his profession and his community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Lane has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Grady Lane our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.